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Order of Service

THE INTROIT.

Rest eternal, grant to them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Ps. lxv. 1-2 Thou, O God, art praised in Sion: and unto Thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem; Thou that hearest the prayer, unto Thee shall all flesh come.

OUR Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. *Amen.*

THE COLLECT.

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee, and worthily magnify Thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then the Minister may say,*

Hear also what our Lord Jesus Christ saith.

THOU shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

¶ *Here, if the Decalogue hath been omitted, shall be said,*

Lord, have mercy upon us.
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Christ, have mercy upon us.
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The Collect.

O MERCIFUL God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Resurrection and the Life; in whom whosoever believeth, shall live, though he die; and whosoever liveth, and believeth in Him, shall not die eternally; who also hath taught us, by His holy Apostle Saint Paul, not to be sorry, as men without hope, for those who sleep in Him; we humbly beseech Thee, O Father, to raise us from the death of sin unto the life of righteousness; that, when we shall depart this life, we may rest in Him, and that, at the general Resurrection in the last day, we may be found acceptable in Thy sight; and receive that blessing, which Thy well-beloved Son shall then pronounce to all who love and fear Thee, saying, Come, ye blessed children of My Father, receive the kingdom prepared for you from the beginning of the world. Grant this, we beseech Thee, O merciful Father, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. *Amen.*

The Epistle. I Thess. iv. 13.

I WOULD not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive

and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we be ever with the Lord. Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

The Gradual.

Rest eternal, grant to them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

V. The righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance: he shall not be afraid of any evil tidings.

The Tract.

Absolve, O Lord, the souls of all the faithful departed from every stain of sin.

V. And by the help of Thy grace may they escape the judgment of condemnation, and enjoy the happiness of everlasting life.

Sequence.

Hymn 36. *Dies Irae, Dies Illa.*

DAY of wrath! oh, day of mourning!
See fulfilled the prophets' warning,
Heaven and earth in ashes burning!

2 Oh, what fear man's bosom rendeth,
When from heaven the Judge descendeth,
On Whose sentence all dependeth.

3 Wondrous sound the trumpet flingeth;
Through earth's sepulchres it ringeth;
All before the throne it bringeth.

4 Death is struck, and nature quaking;
All creation is awaking,
To its Judge an answer making.

5 Lo! the Book exactly worded,
Wherein all hath been recorded:
Thence shall judgment be awarded.

6 When the Judge His seat attaineth,
And each hidden deed arraigneth,
Nothing unavenged remaineth.

7 What shall I, frail man, be pleading?
Who for me be interceding,
When the just are mercy needing?

8 King of majesty tremendous,
Who dost free salvation send us,
Fount of pity, then befriend us!

9 Think, good Jesu, my salvation
Cost Thy wondrous Incarnation;
Leave me not to reprobation!

10 Faint and weary, Thou hast sought me,
On the cross of suffering bought me.
Shall such grace be vainly brought me?

11 Righteous Judge! for sin's pollution
Grant Thy gift of absolution,
Ere that day of retribution.

12 Guilty, now I pour my moaning,
All my shame with anguish owning;
Spare, O God, Thy suppliant groaning!

13 Thou the sinful woman saved'st;
Thou the dying thief forgavest;
And to me a hope vouchsafest.

14 Worthless are my prayers and sighing,
Yet, good Lord, in grace complying,
Rescue me from fires undying!

15 With Thy favored sheep, oh, place me!
Nor among the goats abase me;
But to Thy right hand upraise me.

16 While the wicked are confounded,
Doomed to flames of woe unbounded,
Call me, with Thy saints surrounded.

17 Low I kneel, with heart-submission,
See, like ashes, my contrition;
Help me in my last condition.

18 Ah! that day of tears and mourning!
From the dust of earth returning
Man for judgment must prepare him;
Spare, O God, in mercy spare him!

19 Lord, all pitying, Jesu blest,
Grant us Thine eternal rest.

THE GOSPEL. St. John vi. 37.

ALL that the Father giveth Me shall come to Me: and him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. For I came down from Heaven, not to do Mine own Will, but the Will of Him that sent Me. And this is the Father's Will which hath sent Me, that of all which He hath given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again on the last day. And this is the will of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

HYMN 242.

NOW the laborer's task is o'er;
Now the battle day is past;
Now upon the farther shore
Lands the voyager at last.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

2 There the tears of earth are dried;
There its hidden things are clear;
There the work of life is tried
By a juster Judge than here.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

3 There the penitents, that turn
To the cross their dying eyes,
All the love of Jesus learn
At His feet in Paradise.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

4 There no more the powers of hell
Can prevail to mar their peace;
Christ the Lord shall guard them well,
He who died for their release.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

5 "Earth to earth, and dust to dust,"
Calmly now the words we say,
Left behind, we wait in trust
For the resurrection-day.
Father, in Thy gracious keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.

THE SERMON.

Hymn 121.

THE strife is o'er, the battle done;
The victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun.
Alleluia!

2 The powers of death have done their worst,
But Christ their legions hath dispersed;
Let shout of holy joy outburst.
Alleluia!

3 The three sad days are quickly sped;
He rises glorious from the dead:
All glory to our risen Head!
Alleluia!

4 He closed the yawning gates of hell;
The bars from heaven's high portals fell;
Let hymns of praise His triumphs tell!
Alleluia!

5 Lord! by the stripes which wounded Thee,
From death's dread sting Thy servants free,
That we may live, and sing to Thee
Alleluia!

The Offertory.

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of Glory, deliver the souls of all the faithful departed, and let Michael, the Standard-bearer, lead them into the holy light, which Thou didst promise of old to Abraham and his seed.

V. We offer Thee, O Lord, our Sacrifice of praise and prayer: accept them in behalf of the souls we commemorate this day: and grant that they may pass from death unto life, which Thou didst promise of old to Abraham and his seed.

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant.

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who by Thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech Thee most mercifully [**to accept our alms and oblations, and*] to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching Thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess Thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love. We beseech Thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of Thy true religion, and virtue. Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth Thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer Thy holy Sacraments. And to all Thy People give Thy heavenly grace; and especially

* *If there be no alms or oblations, then shall the words* [to accept our alms and oblations, and] *be left unsaid.*

to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive Thy holy Word; truly serving Thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life. And we most humbly beseech Thee, of Thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless Thy holy Name for all Thy servants departed this life in Thy faith and fear; beseeching Thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of Thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say to those who come to receive the Holy Communion,*

YE who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in His holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

¶ *Then shall this* General Confession *be made, by the Priest and all those who are minded to receive the Holy Communion, humbly kneeling.*

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most greviously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against Thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly Thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please Thee in newness of life, To the honour and glory of Thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest (the Bishop if he be present) stand up, and turning* to the People, say,

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of His great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto Him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest say,*

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to Him.

COME unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. St. Matt. xi. 28.

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. St. John iii. 16.

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I Tim. i. 15.

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins. I St. John ii. 1, 2.

¶ *After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,*

Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

¶ *Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table, and say,*

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto Thee, O Lord, [*Holy Father,] Almighty, Everlasting God.

* *These words* [Holy Father] *must be omitted on* Trinity Sunday.

¶ *Here shall follow the* Proper Preface, *according to the time, if there be any specially appointed; or else immediately shall be said or sung by the Priest.*

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Thy glorious Name; evermore praising Thee, and saying,

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory: Glory be to Thee, O Lord, Most High. *Amen.* *Priest and People.*

¶ *Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say in the name of all those who shall receive the Communion, this Prayer following.*

WE do not presume to come to this Thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in Thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under Thy Table. But Thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of Thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink His blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His body, and our souls washed through His most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. *Amen.*

Benedictus.

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord: Hosanna in the Highest.

¶ *When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, that he may with the more readiness and decency break the Bread before the People, and take the Cup into his hands, he shall say the* Prayer of Consecration, *as followeth.*

ALL glory be to Thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that Thou, of Thy tender mercy, didst give Thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by His one

oblation of Himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in His Holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that His precious death and sacrifice, until His coming again: For in the night in which He was betrayed, (*a*) He took Bread; and when He had given thanks, (*b*) He brake it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, Take, eat, (*c*) this is My Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of Me. Likewise, after supper, (*d*) He took the Cup; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for (*e*) this is My Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of Me.

(a) *Here the Priest is to take the Paten into his hands.*
(b) *And here to break the Bread.*
(c) *And here to lay his hand upon all the Bread.*
(d) *Here he is to take the Cup into his hands.*
(e) *And here he is to lay his hands upon every vessel in which there is any Wine to be consecrated.*

WHEREFORE, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of Thy dearly beloved Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, Thy humble servants do celebrate and make here before Thy Divine Majesty, with these Thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto Thee, the memorial Thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance His blessed passion and precious death, His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto Thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same. *The Oblation.*

AND we most humbly beseech Thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of Thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with Thy Word and Holy Spirit, these Thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of His death and passion, may be partakers of His most blessed Body and Blood. *The Invocation.*

AND we earnestly desire Thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching Thee to grant that, by the merits and death of Thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all Thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of His passion. And here we offer and present unto Thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto Thee; humbly beseeching Thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of Thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with Thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with Him, that He may dwell in us, and we in Him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto Thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech Thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by Whom, and with Whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto Thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. *Amen.*

Agnus Dei.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant him (*them*) rest.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant him (*them*) rest everlasting.

Communion.

May light eternal shine upon them, O Lord, with Thy Saints for evermore: for Thou art gracious.

V. Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them. With Thy Saints for evermore: for Thou art gracious.

¶ *Then shall the Minister say the* Lord's Prayer, *the people repeating after him every Petition.*

OUR Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, As it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

¶ *After shall be said as followeth.*

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we most heartily thank Thee, for that Thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of Thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of Thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of Thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of Thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of Thy dear Son. And we most humbly beesech Thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with Thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as Thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

(English Hymnal, 356.) *(Tune "Edina", American Hymnal, 519.)*

JESU, Son of Mary,
Fount of life alone,
Here we hail Thee present
On Thine altar-throne.
Humbly we adore Thee,
Lord of endless might,
In the mystic symbols
Veiled from earthly sight.

2 Think, O Lord, in mercy
On the souls of those
Who, in faith gone from us,
Now in death repose.
Here, 'mid stress and conflict,
Toils can never cease;
There, the warfare ended,
Bid them rest in peace.

3 Often were they wounded
In the deadly strife;
Heal them, Good Physician,
With the balm of life.
Every taint of evil,
Frailty and decay,
Good and gracious Saviour,
Cleanse and purge away.

4 Rest eternal grant them,
After weary fight;
Shed on them the radiance
Of Thy heavenly light.
Lead them onward, upward,
To the holy place,
Where Thy saints, made perfect,
Gaze upon Thy face.

¶ *Then the Priest (the Bishop if he be present) shall let them depart with this Blessing.*

THE Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

1 Safe home! Safe home in port!
Rent cordage, shattered deck,
Torn sails, provisions short,
And only not a wreck:
But oh, the joy upon the shore,
To tell our voyage-perils o'er!

2 The prize, the prize secure!
The athlete nearly fell;
Bare all he could endure,
And bare not always well:
But he may smile at troubles gone
Who sets the victor-garland on!

3 The lamb is in the fold
In perfect safety penn'd;
The lion once had hold
And thought to make an end.
But One came by with wounded Side,
And for the sheep the Shepherd died.

4 No more the foe can harm:
No more of leaguer'd camp,
And cry of night alarm,
And need of ready lamp:
And yet how nearly had he failed,—
How nearly had that foe prevail'd!

5 The exile is at home!—
Oh, nights and days of tears,
Oh, longings not to roam,
Oh, sins and doubts and fears,—
What matter now, when (so men say)
The King has wip'd those tears away?

6 O happy, happy Bride!
Thy widow'd hours are past,
The Bridegroom at thy side,
Thou all His own at last!
The sorrows of Thy former cup
In full fruition swallow'd up!

The Absolution.

(If the body be not present, this is omitted.)

Enter not into judgment with Thy servant, O Lord, for in Thy sight can no man living be justified. Judge *him* not, therefore, O Lord, whom the prayers of the faithful commend unto Thee, but of Thy mercy let *him*, who, when alive, was signed in the Name of the Holy Trinity, escape Thy just vengeance. Who livest and reignest, world without end. *Amen.*

Then the Cantor intones the R. Deliver me, O Lord. *The Choir sing the following:*

R. Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death in that dreadful day; when the Heavens and the earth shall be moved: when Thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

V. I shall tremble and be afraid when the sifting is at hand, and the wrath is about to come. When the Heavens and the earth shall be moved.

V. That day, a day of wrath, of calamity and misery, a great day, and exceeding bitter. When Thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

V. Rest eternal, grant to them, O Lord: and let light perpetual shine upon them.

R. Deliver me, O Lord, from eternal death in that dreadful day; When the Heavens and the earth shall be moved: when Thou shalt come to judge the world by fire.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father *(secretly)*.

V. And lead us not into temptation.

R. But deliver us from evil.

V. From the gates of hell.

R. Deliver *his* soul, O Lord.

V. May *he* rest in peace.

R. *Amen.*

V. O Lord, hear our prayer.

R. And let our cry come unto Thee.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

(If the body be not present, this is omitted.)

O God, whose nature and property is ever to have mercy and to forgive, receive our humble petitions for the soul of Thy servant (or priest), N., which Thou hast commanded to pass out of this world: deliver it not into the hands of the enemy, neither forget it at the last, but command it to be received by Thy holy angels, and to be carried into the land of the living; and forasmuch as *he* hoped and believed in Thee, let *him* be counted worthy to rejoice in the fellowship of Thy saints. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the Unity of the Holy Ghost, God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Note.—If the above office be said for many persons, all shall be said in the plural.

In Paradisum.

Antiphon.—Into Paradise may the Angels conduct thee, at thy coming may the Martyrs receive thee, and lead thee into the Holy City Jerusalem. May the choir of Angels receive thee, and with Lazarus, who was once a beggar, mayest thou gain eternal rest.

V. Rest eternal grant to *him*, O Lord.

R. And let light perpetual shine upon *him*.

V. May *he* rest in peace.

R. *Amen.*